## CHARLOTTE, NC

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA CHARLOTTE DIVISION

US DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF NO

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	)
	Case Number 3:24-cr-64-FDW
<b>v.</b>	<u></u>
	) <u>UNDER SEAL</u>
(1) ENHUA FANG,	)
	)
(2) SHU JUN ZHEN,	) 18 U.S.C. § 1956(h)
a/k/a "Yan Feng Chen,"	) 18 U.S.C. § 1956(a)(1)(B)(i)
a/k/a "Chunyan Li,"	) 18 U.S.C. § 1957(a)
·	) 18 U.S.C. § 2
(3) JIANFEI LU,	)
a/k/a "Xian Le Li,"	)
,	)
(4) MAOXUAN XIA,	)
a/k/a "Xin Lin,"	, )
a/k/a "Xiang Lin,"	)
a/k/a "Zhiyue Qin," and	)
•	)
(5) SHAO NENG LIN,	· )
	)
Defendants.	)

## **INDICTMENT**

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

#### **COUNT ONE**

(Money Laundering Conspiracy)

Beginning in at least May 2022, and continuing until on or about March 19, 2024, the exact dates being unknown to the Grand Jury, within the Western District of North Carolina and elsewhere, the defendants,

> (1) ENHUA FANG, (2) SHU JUN ZHEN, a/k/a "Yan Feng Chen," a/k/a "Chunyan Li,"

(3) JIANFEI LU, a/k/a "Xian Le Li," (4) MAOXUAN XIA, a/k/a "Xin Lin," a/k/a "Xiang Lin," a/k/a "Zhiyue Qin," and (5) SHAO NENG LIN,

did knowingly, intentionally, and willfully conspire and agree with others, known and unknown to the Grand Jury, to commit certain offenses under Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956 and 1957 as follows:

- A. To knowingly conduct and attempt to conduct financial transactions affecting interstate commerce, which transactions involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, to wit, narcotics trafficking, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841, 846, 952, 959, 960, and 963, knowing that the transactions were designed in whole and in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of such specified unlawful activity, and while conducting and attempting to conduct such financial transactions, knowing that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(a)(1)(B)(i); and
- B. To knowingly engage and attempt to engage in monetary transactions in criminally derived property that was of a value greater than \$10,000, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1957(a);

all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956(h), 1956(a)(1)(B)(i), and 1957(a).

#### **COUNT TWO**

(Money Laundering)

On or about July 27, 2022, within the Western District of North Carolina, the defendants,

(1) ENHUA FANG, (4) MAOXUAN XIA, a/k/a "Xin Lin," a/k/a "Xiang Lin," a/k/a "Zhiyue Qin," and (5) SHAO NENG LIN,

did knowingly conduct financial transactions affecting interstate commerce, to wit: a \$213,120 cash deposit and a \$100,000 cash deposit made by (4) XIA using the name "Xin Lin," with said cash deposited into Bank of America account ending 8706, in the name of Kowloon Holding, Inc., an account owned and controlled by (5) LIN, with said deposits made at a Bank of America branch located at 9505 Pineville-Matthews Road, Pineville, North Carolina, which transactions involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, to wit, narcotics trafficking, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841, 846, 952, 959, 960, and 963, knowing that the transactions were designed in whole and in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of such specified unlawful activity, and while conducting such financial transactions knew that the property involved in the financial transactions represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and 2.

#### COUNT THREE

(Monetary Transaction Involving Criminally Derived Property)

On or about July 27, 2022, within the Western District of North Carolina and elsewhere, the defendants,

(1) ENHUA FANG, (4) MAOXUAN XIA, a/k/a "Xin Lin," a/k/a "Xiang Lin,"

# a/k/a "Zhiyue Qin," and (5) SHAO NENG LIN,

knowingly engaged, attempted to engage, and caused each other to engage in monetary transactions affecting interstate commerce, in criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, to wit, a \$213,120 cash deposit and a \$100,000 cash deposit made by (4) **XIA** using the name "Xin Lin," with said cash deposited into Bank of America account ending 8706, in the name of Kowloon Holding, Inc., an account owned and controlled by (5) **LIN**, with said deposits made at a Bank of America branch located at 9505 Pineville-Matthews Road, Pineville, North Carolina, which transactions involved the proceeds of a specified unlawful activity, to wit, narcotics trafficking, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841, 846, 952, 959, 960, and 963, all in violation of Title 18, United State Code, Sections 1957(a), and 2.

#### **COUNT FOUR**

(Attempted Monetary Transaction Involving Criminally Derived Property)

On or about August 12, 2022, within the Western District of North Carolina and elsewhere, the defendants,

## (1) ENHUA FANG, and (3) JIANFEI LU, a/k/a "Xian Le Li."

attempted to engage in a monetary transaction affecting interstate commerce, in criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, to wit, a \$108,000 cash deposit at a Bank of America branch located at 8551 North Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina, which transaction involved the proceeds of a specified unlawful activity, to wit, narcotics trafficking, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841, 846, 952, 959, 960, and 963, all in violation of Title 18, United State Code, Sections 1957(a) and 2.

#### **COUNT FIVE**

(Money Laundering)

On or about August 20, 2022, within the Western District of North Carolina and elsewhere, the defendants,

## (1) ENHUA FANG, and (5) SHAO NENG LIN,

and others known and unknown, knowingly conducted a financial transaction affecting interstate commerce, to wit, a \$250,020 cash deposit into JPMorgan Chase bank account ending 2589, in the name of Kowloon Holding, Inc., an account owned and controlled by (5) LIN, with said deposits made at a JPMorgan Chase bank branch located at 8830 Lindholm Drive, Huntersville, North Carolina, which transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, to wit, narcotics trafficking, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841, 846, 952, 959, 960, and 963, knowing that the transaction was designed in whole and in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of such specified unlawful activity, and while conducting such financial transaction knew that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and 2.

#### **COUNT SIX**

(Monetary Transaction Involving Criminally Derived Property)

On or about August 20, 2022, within the Western District of North Carolina and elsewhere, the defendants,

#### (1) ENHUA FANG, and

#### (5) SHAO NENG LIN,

and others known and unknown, knowingly engaged, attempted to engage, and caused each other to engage in a monetary transaction affecting interstate commerce, in criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, to wit, a \$250,020 cash deposit into JPMorgan Chase bank account

ending 2589, in the name of Kowloon Holding, Inc., an account owned and controlled by (5) **LIN**, with said cash deposit made at a JPMorgan Chase bank branch located at 8830 Lindholm Drive, Huntersville, North Carolina, which transaction involved the proceeds of a specified unlawful activity, to wit, narcotics trafficking, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841, 846, 952, 959, 960, and 963, all in violation of Title 18, United State Code, Sections 1957(a) and 2.

### <u>COUNT SEVEN</u> (Money Laundering)

On or about November 9, 2023, within the Western District of North Carolina and

elsewhere, the defendants,

(2) SHU JUN ZHEN, a/k/a "Yan Feng Chen," a/k/a "Chunyan Li," and (3) JIANFEI LU, a/k/a "Xian Le Li,"

knowingly conducted a financial transaction affecting interstate commerce, to wit, a \$100,000 cash deposit made by (2) **ZHEN** using the name "Chunyan Li", with said cash deposited into Bank of America account ending 3399, and made at a Bank of America branch located at 6425 Albemarle Road, Charlotte, North Carolina, which transaction involved the proceeds of specified unlawful activity, to wit, narcotics trafficking, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841, 846, 952, 959, 960, and 963, knowing that the transaction was designed in whole and in part to conceal and disguise the nature, location, source, ownership, and control of the proceeds of such specified unlawful activity, and while conducting such financial transaction knew that the property involved in the financial transaction represented the proceeds of some form of unlawful activity, all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1956(a)(1)(B)(i) and 2.

#### **COUNT EIGHT**

(Monetary Transaction Involving Criminally Derived Property)

On or about November 9, 2023, within the Western District of North Carolina and elsewhere, the defendants,

> (2) SHU JUN ZHEN, a/k/a "Yan Feng Chen," a/k/a "Chunyan Li," and (3) JIANFEI LU, a/k/a "Xian Le Li,"

knowingly engaged, attempted to engage, and caused each other to engage in a monetary transaction affecting interstate commerce, in criminally derived property of a value greater than \$10,000, to wit, a \$100,000 cash deposit into Bank of America account ending 3399, said cash deposit made at a Bank of America branch located at 6425 Albemarle Road, Charlotte, North Carolina, which transaction involved the proceeds of a specified unlawful activity, to wit, narcotics trafficking, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841, 846, 952, 959, 960, and 963, all in violation of Title 18, United State Code, Sections 1957(a) and 2.

#### NOTICE OF FORFEITURE AND FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE

Notice is hereby given of Title 18, United States Code, Section 982 and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c). Under Section 2461(c), criminal forfeiture is applicable to any offenses for which forfeiture is authorized by any other statute, including but not limited to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981 and all specified unlawful activities listed or referenced in Title 18, United States Code, Section 1956(c)(7), which are incorporated as to proceeds by Section 981(a)(1)(C). The following property is subject to forfeiture in accordance with Section 982 and/or 2461(c):

All property involved in the violations set forth in this bill of indictment; and a.

b. If, as set forth in Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), any property described in (a) cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence, has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party, has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court, has been substantially diminished in value, or has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty, all other property of the defendant/s to the extent of the value of the property described in (a).

The Grand Jury finds probable cause to believe that the following property is subject to forfeiture on one or more of the grounds stated above:

- a. A forfeiture money judgment in the amount of at least \$92,190,954, such amount constituting the amount involved in the violations set forth in this bill of indictment;
- b. Approximately \$150,000 in United States currency seized on October 31, 2022, during the investigation;
- Approximately \$108,000 in United States currency seized on August 12, 2022,
  during the investigation;
- d. Approximately \$124,960 in United States currency seized on December 12, 2022,
  during the investigation;
- e. Approximately \$100,000 in United States currency seized on February 10, 2023, during the investigation; and
- f. Approximately \$102,235 in United States currency seized on February 13, 2023, during the investigation.

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